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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please revise the specification, as follows:

On page 1, revise the first paragraph as follows:

Revise the paragraph beginning at line 22 of page 51, as follows:

To illustrate the large versatility of the present invention, it is recalled that the chip used as a preferred medium to record the state certificate C replaced by any form of memory, even as simple as a piece of paper where C could be written using bar-codes and or plain text. Thus, it is believed that the present invention will have extremely general applicability in the fight against counterfeiting as well as grey market. In paraticular, application to secure remote printing are provided in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/____, filed on ______, 1999, 09/398.029, filed on September 17, 1999, commonly assigned with the present application, having IBM Docket No. YO999-252 and entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURE SALE OF ELECTRONIC TICKETS" by Marco Martens Howard et al. and in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/___, filed on _____, 1999, also 09/398.028, filed on September 17, 1999, also

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commonly assigned with the present application, having IBM Docket No. YO999-290 and entitled "METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REMOTE PRINTING OF DUPLICATION RESISTANT DOCUMENTS" by Gordon Wesley Braudaway, et al., each incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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